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1. FOLLOWING QUESTIONS, IN ORDER OF PRIORITY, ARE THOSE INVESTIGATION BOARD DESIRES BE ANSWERED, AND REPRESENT SIGNIFICANT GAPS IN INFORMATION NEEDED TO RECONSTRUCT LAST FEW MOMENTS OF FLIGHT:

A. CONCURRENT WITH MACH NUMBER INCREASING TO 1.05, WHAT WAS THE NORMAL AIRSPEED INDICATOR READING? INCREASING? DECREASING?

B. WHEN KEAS WAS NOTED TO BE DECREASING, THROTTLES WERE PUSHED FORWARD. AT APPROXIMATELY WHAT KEAS WAS THIS DONE? HOW FAR FORWARD WERE THEY PUSHED, ALL THE WAY TO MILITARY POWER? TOO WHAT RPM DID YOU PUSH THEM? WHAT WAS FUEL FLOW?

C. WHEN AIRSPEED DIFFICULTY WAS SUSPECTED, AND PITOT HEAT WAS CHECKED BY CYCLING THE SWITCH, WAS THE SWITCH IN THE "ON" POSITION WHEN YOU FIRST REACHED FOR IT (IF ANSWER IS " YES", WHEN

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DID YOU FIRST TURN IT ON? HOW MANY TIMES DID YOU CYCLE THE SWITCH IN CHECKING IT?

D. AT ANY TIME DURING THE FLIGHT PRIOR TO THE SECOND WENDOVER TURN, DO YOU RECALL SEEING ANY VISIBLE MOISTURE HITTING AGAINST THE WINDSCREEN, SUCH AS ICE CRYSTALS, SNOW PELLETS, OR HAIL?

E. JUST PRIOR TO ROLLING OUT OF THE TURN ON THE 200 DEGREE HEADING AND PUNCHING ON AUTO-NAV, WHAT WAS KEAS READING? WAS IT DECREASING? HOW RAPIDLY?

F. HOW WERE YOU FEELING AT THIS TIME? ANY SYMPTOMS THAT MIGHT GIVE YOU REASON TO SUSPECT YOU WERE NOT GETTING SUFFICIENT OXYGEN? HEADACHE? FUZZY VISION?

G. AT THE TIME THAT YOU SAW 160 KEAS ON THE TRIPLE-DISPLAY INDICATOR, WHAT WAS THE ALTITUDE READING?

H. AT THE TIME THE ACFT STALLLED AT 101 KEAS AND ROLLED TO THE RIGHT, DO YOU RECALL ANY G FORCES, EITHER POSITIVE OR NEGATIVE? CAN YOU DESCRIBE THE GYRATIONS THE ACFT WENT THROUGH JUST PRIOR TO YOUR EJECTION?

2. ABOVE QUESTIONS SUBMITTED WITH FULL UNDERSTANDING THEY PROBABLY WILL BE RE-PHRASED BY [REDACTED]

3. [REDACTED] HAVE ARRANGED TO BE PICKED UP BY [REDACTED] AT TRAVEL LODGE, BURBANK, AT 1000 HOURS LOCAL TIME SUNDAY 9 JUNE 1963.

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